New Departure in Hunting Evidence of Corruption in Cities.

Brooklyn Public Departments to Receive an Overhauling.

The Law Enforcement Society, of oklyn, took the first steps this morning towards executing its plans for puridetectives. They will begin at once gathering evidence. Money is pouring into the Society's treasury. Last night, at mass-meeting, over \$500 was sub-

The most novel feature of the Society is the employment of snap shot cameras is the employment of snap shot cameras for collecting evidence. At the meeting the value of the camera was demonstrated by stereopticon viewe of policemen standing about saloons open on Sunday, while men, women and children were working the growler. It was said this morning that a number of cameras would be purchased, and detectives instructed in their use.

Lawyer George F. Eliott, President and counsel to the Society, said this morning that letters were coming in every day furnishing information of corruption in city departments and showing where the law is not enforced.

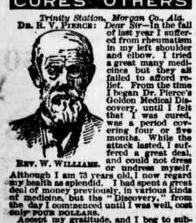
Saloon-Keepers Will Use the Ballot the present rates has caused consternation among the smell saloon-keepers. Predictions were made this morning that the action of Mayor Schieren's Commissioners would hurt the Republican party at the next election.

A Detective Fined for Contempt.

In the Brooklyn Court of Sessions to-day, Judge Moore fined Detective Sergt John C. Cochran et the Kaiph avenue station, 50s for contempt of court, to stand committed until paid. Cochran falled to appear on time as a witness into trial of John Grover, charged with running

Mrs. Maggie Miller aued the Brooklyn Heights Railroad ir the City Court, Brooklyn, to-day to recover \$5,000 damages for personal injuries while attempting to alight from a car on the Flatbush avenue line her dress caught on a button used for fastening the awnings, and she was thrown to the ground. The jury decided to go to the depot and examine the car. Pooh Bah Furgueson at It Again rvisor Cornelius Furgueson, the Pooh-Bal

### CURES OTHERS



DOLLARS.

By gratitude, and I beg to sub-Rev. WILSON WILLIAMS.

WHY NOT YOU?

DICK NEWTON'S TIME UP.

He Will Be Free To-Morrow and Will See His New-Born Babe. A complete new suit of clothes, including underwear, shoes, stockings and shirt, was received by Warden Hayes, of the Crow Hill Penitentiary, this morn-

RICHARD V. B. NEWTON.

Another Trolley Suit.

Mrs. Maggie Miller sued the Brooklyn Heights

Police Commissioner Welles of Brooklyn to-day

the Company to keep the twelve-hour-a-day law and to fix the pay of car employees by the day instead of by the trip.

Big Blaze in Morristown.

MORRISTOWN, N. J., Dec. 20.—Fire destroyed the historic Babbitt Building, at Park place and Washington street, this morning. It aprend to the

First National Benk Building, starting in Katz's clothing store. Katz's stock, valued at 23,000, was destroyed. The fire was caused by an overheated atove in his store. The total damage will reach about \$100,000: Insurance of \$65,000. The Babbitt Building was erected in \$150.

Murderer Stefanko Under Arrest.

PERTH AMBOY, N. J., Dec. 10.-Word was re-

Stefanko, the murderer of Stephen Nagy, a Swede, was under arrest at Blackwood, Pa.

The fire was discovered in a class-room on the top floor of the building, in which there were about 100 children, between the ages of ten and fourteen years. Smoke was seen issuing from a crack in the floor about two feet from the register which connects with the furnace in the basement. The Sister in charge quietly dismissed the scholars before many of them knew that anything out of the ordinary had happened, and then notified the other teachers throughout the building.

The 700 pupils filed out in good order, with the exception of the smaller children on the ground floor, who smelled the smoke and rushed out, leaving their cloaks and wraps behind them. No one was injured. The fire was exinguished in a short time by the Fire Department. The damage amounted to not over \$5. ing for kichard V. B. Newton, John Y.

COOLNESS AVERTED A PANIC.

from a Burning Building.

McKane's pal and ex-Justice of the Peace of Gravesend, who will have served out his sentence of nine months to-morrow.

Newton began counting the hours to-day until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning, when he will wak out of the prison a free man. He is anxious to see his young son who was born a few weeks ago.

Some of Newton's friends from Coney Island sent word to Warden Hayes this morning that they would call with a carriage for the convict. The next Graves-ender to be released from the penitentiary is ex-Constable Jamieson.

ne Republican and one Democrat as Commis

Ex-Gov. Alcorn Dead. MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 10 -- Ex-Governor and ex-United States Senstor James L. Alcorn dies this morning on his estate, at Eagle's Nest, Miss

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### IN THE DIVORCE COURT.

700 School Children Marched Safely Judge Dugro Kept Busy by Many Ill-Assorted Comples. Judge Dugro, of the Superior Court, A fire in St. Anthony's Parochia

ol. . Macdougal street, at 11.65 o'clock to-day created some little excitement among the teachers and pupils, but the presence of mind of the Sister in charge of the room in which it occurred The fire was discovered in a class-room

this morning, charged by his wife. Emily, with desertion and failure to support her and their four children. Hanson's defense was based on a

NEWEST arrivals: Fin de Siecle Toilet Articles, real Delft, Royal Dresden Groups and Figures, Porcelain Paintings, new styles of avenue dry-goods store. The complaint Cut Glass in great variety, Game was made by George Oestreicher, the and Fish Sets, large assortment of goods suitable for Holiday Gifts to gentlemen. Early visitors will find most complete assortment.

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### THE WEBER PIANO CO. A German-American Establishmen

of Over Forty Years' Standing. "The Weber Plans business is one of the oldest of the kind in New York City. It was established Judge Dugro, of the Superior Court, was kept busy to-day listening to the tales of woe of unhappy married couples who wanted their marriage vows judicially annulled. By 12.45 o'clock he had heard five suits for absolute divorce.

The first suit was that of Elizabeth Meanier against Emil Mesnier, who runs the "Mayflower" salcon, at Crosby and Spring streets, where Capt. Creeden's 115,000 for the purchase of a captaincy is said to have changed hands between Martin and Reppenhagen. Judge Dugro reserved decision.

The next case was that of Mary Dunn against James Dunn.

Bertha Jackson, who was named as co-respondent by Mrs. Dunn, admitted having lived with Dunn. Decision reserved.

Herbert E. Gibson asked for an ab-

Renaissance,

Bertha Jackson, who was named as other teachers throughout the building.

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### BIT THE GIRL DETECTIVE.

Tillie Austin Has a Hard Time with a Shoplifter.

Mary McCabe, thirty-five years old slieged to be a professional shoplifter, was held for trial at Yorkville Police Court this morning for stealing nine pairs of gloves, worth \$11, from a Third detective engaged by the firm. Ostreicher's female assistant, Miss Tille Austin, followed the shoplifter

closely, and on reaching the street, tried to induce her to return, on the plea that she must have forgotten some-The woman saw that she was under suspicion and kept on her way. When

Tillie caught hold of her arm, the shopafter turned about and struck her the side of the head. Tillie clung to the woman, and in the struggle that followed she was bitten on the right arm. Oestreicher then came to her rescue and arrested the shoplifter. The gloves were found on her when she was searched.

James H. Carney, an agent for Bolen & Byrne, ottlers. living at \$14 East Fifty-fifth street, and

A Live Man Legally Dead. Lizzie Haberthur, of 214 East Fifth street, ha Livile Habertour, of its East vitte street.

brought suit in the Suprelor Court to recover sts.000 damages for breach of promise and betraysi from James Marron, variety actor, in the City Club Burlesque Company, in Boston She's twenty-two years old, a brunette, tail and

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Excise Commissioner William Dalton ported to-day to be seriously iii.

Mrs Kalbfleisch Must Tell.

Mrs. Sarah Kalbüeisch, wife of Franklin Kalb-isch, whose firm (the Bushwick Chemical Works)

Actor Marron's Escapade.

bottlers. Hving at 314 East Fifty-afth street, and Joseph Harntshfeger, a butcher, had a duel with knives in the latters shop, at the southwest corner of Fifty-fifth atreet and Second arenua, last night. Carney escaped without a scratch, but the butcher's right arm was nearly severed at the wrist. He is at present confined at the Flower Hospital, where it was ead last night that the arm would have to be amputated.

J. L. Semple, attorney for Theodore Lamber be hanged on Dec. 11, and who was reprieved by Gov. Werts until Jan. 2, claims that the Gov-ernor had no right to reprieve Lambert, and that, rince the condemned mas is legally dead, the law has no further hold on him, and he should be set free.

damages from William N. Annerman for injuries received by being injured by a horse bought from the defendant. Judge Beach to-day directed a verdict for the plaintiff for six cents. Judge Beach also fined Juror Joseph Schwartz 55 for being fifteen minutes late.

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